

Gila County Planning and Zoning Commission
JULY 10, 2008
TOWN OF PAYSON COUNCIL CHAMBERS
303 N. BEELINE HWY
PAYSON, AZ.
Approved: August 21, 2008

1. Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance

Planning and Zoning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman, Don Ascoli at 10:05 am.

2. Roll Call

Commission Present:	Chairman:	Don Ascoli
	Vice Chairman:	Lori Brown (ABSENT)
	Members:	Jack Larimore
		Mickie Nye
		Renee Zeising
		Ron Christensen
		Rose Harper
		Jay Spehar (ABSENT)
		Travis Williams

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

No corrections or additions to the minutes, motion was made by Commissioner Rose Harper to approve and it was seconded by Commissioner Renee Zeising; motion passed unanimously.

4. Director/Commission Communications

Bob Gould, Director of Community Development stated that the following items are likely to be heard: Caulkins for Esparza's CUP for a billboard
 Chamberlain Rezoning
 Clean & Lien

5. CUP-08-04 Applicant: Paul & Kendrick Messinger Applicant requests to expand the existing 9.9 acre cemetery by 4.72 acres for staff housing and future plots and other cemetery uses. The property is located on Lower Round Valley Road in Payson, AZ; Gila County Assessor's Tax Parcel 304-22-018C, Section 22, T10N, R10E of the G&SRM. Property is currently zoned RR (Rural Residential).

Director Bob Gould stated that the applicant is requesting the Conditional Use Permit to expand for future growth; residential units now located on the property will be moved as needed for cemetery purposes.

With no comments or questions from the commission, the Chairman opened the meeting for public comment. Mr. Messinger stated that the cemetery is 75% full. This CUP will give them four more acres.

With no comments from the public and no further comments from the Commission, Commission Member Ron Christianson moved to recommend approval to the Board of Supervisors, Commission Member Mickie Nye seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

6. Arizona Department of Water Resources:

J. Scott Miller, Area Director for the Phoenix Active Management of the Arizona State Department of

Water Resources gave a presentation to the Commission (see attachment of Summary of SB 1575).

After the presentation discussion ensued between Commission Members, the Director and Mr. Miller regarding the Bill. If a county adopts the Bill, the regulations will apply to all cities and towns within the county and must be unanimously voted for by the Board of Supervisors and can never be rescinded and a city or town can adopt without the county adopting. If a city adopts this Bill, they do not have to have a unanimous vote and can rescind at any time.

Commission asked the Director, Bob Gould, to get a copy of the rules when available and distribute to the Commission. Commission member Ron Christianson stated that the Commission needs to be a player in the process and Chairman Don Ascoli stated that they needed to educate themselves and maybe nothing is the right thing to do.

Director Bob Gould stated that he didn't see Gila County ever adopting this but at the same time something needs to be done.

Chairman Ascoli stated that if the county did not adopt subdivisions in Gila County would have the inadequacy stamp and be able to move forward, if the county adopts it-the subdivision just stops.

Bob Gould, Director of Community Development stated that he would look at putting the rules on the August agenda.

7. Report from Sub-Committees:

Public Awareness-Commissioner Jay Spehar has drafted a flier. Commissioner Mickie Nye asked that the Commission review and email any changes to Mr. Spehar.

Zoning Ordinance-Commissioner Mickie Nye reported that the group went to Civano in Tucson to view the development and stated he would like to see something like that come to our area.

LURPP-Commissioner Ron Christensen reported that they hadn't had another meeting and stated they were reluctant to do more until the election was over.

Zoning for Young-Commissioner Renee Zeising reported that she had handed out information at the last Planning and Zoning meeting but had not heard back from anyone. The groups has not had another meeting and suggest they wait until after the election.

Consensus of the group was to wait until after the election and see what direction the new board wants them to take.

8. Adjourn

Commissioner Jack Larimore motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Renee Zeising; motion unanimously passed and the meeting adjourned at 12:10.

